

carefully and with accuracy enter the substance of such deed, mortgage, release of mortgage, or lease of real estate—that is to say, the date of the deed, mortgage, release of mortgage, or lease of real estate, the christian names and surnames of the parties, with their additions, if any; the name of the land or estate, if any, in such deed, mortgage, release of mortgage, or lease of real estate mentioned to be conveyed; the courses, metes and bounds thereof, if expressed in the deed, mortgage, release of mortgage, or lease of real estate; and the number of acres, if therein stated, and such other description of the land conveyed as may be contained in such deed, mortgage, release of mortgage, or lease of real estate, and the place where the same may lie; the consideration for making the deed, mortgage, release of mortgage, or lease of real estate, and the estate conveyed by such deed, mortgage, release of mortgage, or lease of real estate, in the very expressions thereof; and also state and certify, immediately after and following such entry, the day such deed, mortgage, release of mortgage, or lease of real estate was recorded, and shall sign his name thereto.

This section does not change the requirements necessary to entitle a deed to be recorded, or authorize a clerk to refuse to record a mortgage taken by a firm in the firm name instead of the individual names. *Bernstein v. Hobelman*, 70 Md. 41.

1904, art. 17, sec. 59. 1888, art. 17, sec. 55. 1860, art. 18, sec. 55. 1826, ch. 226, sec. 3. 1874, ch. 66. 1900, ch. 427.

60. They shall make the entry, aforesaid, on good royal writing paper, such as is commonly used in record books, each sheet measuring in length nineteen inches, and in breadth twelve inches, with a margin in blank of about half an inch at the sides, top and bottom of each page, and shall transmit the same, on or before the first day in June in each year, to the commissioner of the land office; and it shall be the duty of the judges of the circuit court for the counties and the judge of the superior court of Baltimore city to enforce this section by such fines and penalties as they may provide, and any failure to comply with the requirements of sections 59 and 60 by any of said clerks shall be a contempt of court.

See note to sec. 59.

Ibid. sec. 60. 1888, art. 17, sec. 56. 1860, art. 18, sec. 56. 1766, ch. 14, sec. 2.

61. Every clerk who receives a deed or instrument of writing which is required to be recorded within a specific time shall endorse thereon the time when he receives the same.

Ibid. sec. 61. 1888, art. 17, sec. 57. 1860, art. 18, sec. 60. 1853, ch. 86, sec. 2.

62. Before the first of May in each year, they shall apply to the comptroller for such number of blank licenses of every sort as may probably be required for the use of their respective counties for one year, or the fractional part of the year, terminating on the 30th day of April then next ensuing.

See art 19, sec. 25. *et seq.*